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Sir:

Transmitted herewith under 37 CFR § 1.153(b) is a non-provisional U.S. patent application identified as follows:

Applicant: GAROLD B. BITNER II
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For: DOOR-MOUNTED BUG BARRIER APPARATUS

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Applicant hereby claims priority based upon applicant's copending Provisional Application Serial No. 60/406,648; filed August 28, 2002.

Small Entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 is sought by a verified statement filed with the application.

In compliance with applicant's duty under 37 CFR § 1.56(a), an Information Disclosure Citation (Form PTO/SB/08A) is transmitted herewith with 5 references.

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